

Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
Applicant: Kimberly Ann Newell et al.
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REMARKS

This is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed August 9, 2006. In that Office Action, claims 1-6 and 8-48 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. The Examiner's indication that claims 49, 51-74, and 75-83 have been deemed allowable is noted with appreciation.

With this Response, claim 1 has been amended. Claims 1-6, 8-49, and 51-83 remain pending in the application and are presented for reconsideration and allowance.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1-6 and 8-48 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. The Examiner stated that "[c]laim 1, line 14 recites 'the categories'. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim." (Final Office Action at para. no. 4, page 2). Applicant has amended independent claim 1 to recite "wherein one [of the categories] category identified by the hyperlinks is pleadings information". Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendment to claim 1, removal of the rejection of claims 1-6 and 8-48 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, and reconsideration and allowance of these claims.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-6, 8-49, and 51-83 are in form for allowance and are not taught or suggested by the cited references. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of claims 1-6, 8-49, and 51-83 are respectfully requested.

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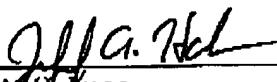
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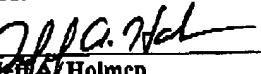
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